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## Today's Receipts.

Sch. Robert and Carr, Rips, 60,000 lbs. pollock.  
 Sch. James and Esther, Rips, 100,000 lbs. pollock.  
 Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, Rips, 100,000 lbs. pollock.  
 Br. sch. LaFrance, Bay of Islands, N. F., 950 bbls. pickled herring.  
 Sch. Emily Sears, via Boston.  
 Sch. Flora J. Sears, via Boston.  
 Sch. Clara G. Silva, via Boston.  
 Sch. Mary E. Cooney, via Boston.  
 Sch. Georgianna, via Boston.

## Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Seaconnet, Boston.  
 Sch. Gleaner, pollock seining.  
 Sch. Annie Greenlaw, seining.  
 Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, haddock-ing.  
 Sch. Harmony, seining.  
 Sch. Norma, dory handlining.

## Today's Fish Market.

Salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50 per cwt.; medium do., \$3; snapper do., \$1.75.  
 Bank halibut, 4 1-2 cents per lb. right through for white and gray.  
 Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.  
 Large "halibut" cod, salt, \$3 per cwt.; medium do., \$2.50; snapper do., \$1.50.  
 Large "Drift" Georges cod, salt, \$3.12 1-2 per cwt.; medium do., \$2.75; snapper do., \$1.75.  
 Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$1.65 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.40; Eastern cod, large, \$1.55; medium do., \$1.30; cusk, \$1.50; for large, \$1.10 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 60c; hake, 60c.  
 Trawl bank cod, large, \$2.75 per cwt.; medium, \$2.50, snappers, \$1.50  
 Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.  
 Round pollock, 50c per cwt.  
 Outside sales of drift salt cod, \$3.30 for large, \$2.90 for mediums.

## Harbor Notes.

Schs. Annie and Jennie and sloop Lewis C. Totman are on Parkhurst's railways.  
 The harbor is enveloped in a dense fog this morning.  
 Sch. Lottie Byrnes of Provincetown is at this port to fit for a salt bank dory handline fleet under command of Capt. Crawley.  
 The United States buoy tender, Mayflower, is in port today.

## Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 3000 haddock.  
 Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 5000 haddock, 3000 cod, 10,000 hake.  
 Sch. Manomet, 2000 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake.  
 Sch. Stranger, 4500 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 hake.  
 Sch. F. D. Brown, 1000 haddock, 500 cod.  
 Sch. Torpedo, 500 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.  
 Sch. Lena May, 800 haddock, 300 cod, 500 pollock.  
 Sch. Washakie, 2000 haddock, 5500 cod, 4000 hake, 3000 cusk.  
 Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 7000 cod, 15,000 hake, 1000 cusk.  
 Sch. Harvester, 5000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 4000 pollock.  
 Sch. Louisa R. Silva, 6000 haddock, 7000 cod, 400 hake.  
 Sch. Appomattox, 17,000 cod.  
 Haddock, \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$4.50; market cod, \$2 to \$3; hake, \$1 to \$2.50; cusk, \$1; pollock, \$1.50.

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# ANOTHER FRENCH CRAFT SUNK.

## Four of Grand Bank Fishing Fleet Lost This Season.

The French fishing fleet on the Grand Bank is suffering unusually heavy losses this season. Up to last Monday, four crafts had gone down, their crews fortunately being saved, and now comes word of the loss of another, which sprang a leak during the recent big blow, and went down quickly, the crew being saved.

News of the sinking of the craft, which was the Malouine of St. Malo, while at anchor on Quero Bank, was received at St. Pierre, Miquelon, yesterday, when the crew, all of whom arrived here on another vessel. The accident occurred on Tuesday last. The vessel, while riding out a heavy gale, sprang a leak, and all efforts to save her proved fruitless. The crew numbered 21. The Malouine was of 52 tons net, and was built at Lunenburg, N. S., in 1895.

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# MACKEREL SEEN AT CAPE SHORE.

Forty-three Taken in Nets at Prospect N. S. on Thursday.

No Salt Mackerel Yet Landed by the Fleet This Year.

There are good signs of mackerel on the Cape Shore. Forty-three fish were taken in the nets at Prospect Thursday. The mackerel are not as large as the usual spring run. They were brought to Halifax and found a ready sale.

The mackerel fleet during the past week, ending Friday, has landed 3694 barrels of fresh mackerel. They were mostly large fish, landed by netters. Sales yesterday in New York at 25 cents each for large, and 20 cents for medium. No salt mackerel have been landed as yet. The seiners have mostly gone to Cape Shore, but no catches are reported to date. Some of the seining captains that came home from the South report seeing very large schools of mackerel previous to the storm last Friday, which time the seiners have done nothing.

The corresponding week last year the mackerel fleet landed 626 bbls. fresh mackerel. They were mostly large fish landed by netters and sold at 25 to 30 cents each. The Cape Shore fleet last year numbered 63 sail and some of the vessels had 125 barrels on board at this time.

The following seiners were at Liverpool, N. S., Thursday: schs. Veda M. McKnown, Shenandoah, Conqueror, Evelyn L. Thompson, Diana, Oriole and Electric Flash. No signs of mackerel have as yet been discovered or reported along the Cape Shore.

The steamer from Yarmouth, N. S., at Boston, brought about a barrel of fresh mackerel Thursday, the first receipts from there this season.

Old salt mackerel are also very quiet, and prices remain the same as last reported. No new salt mackerel received as yet.

The catch of fresh mackerel by the New England fleet this season to date, and for the past five seasons to date have been as follows:

1909	11,274 barrels
1908	6,098 barrels
1907	17,775 barrels
1906	9,806 barrels
1905	16,728 barrels
1904	28,975 barrels

The catch of salt mackerel by the New England fleet to date and for the past five seasons to date has been as follows:

1909	none
1908	47 barrels
1907	71 barrels
1906	329 barrels
1905	52 barrels
1904	196 barrels

The imports of new salt mackerel at Boston to date and for the past five years to date are as follows:

Catch of 1908	43,887 barrels
Catch of 1907	24,653 barrels
Catch of 1906	41,889 barrels
Catch of 1905	45,409 barrels
Catch of 1904	30,322 barrels
Catch of 1903	48,980 barrels

## Netters at New York.

The following netters were at New York this morning:

Sch. Florida, 1100 fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. N. A. Rowe, 250 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Lelf Erickson, 1200 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Massasoit, 1700 fresh mackerel.

## Netters at Newport.

The following netters were at Newport yesterday:

Sch. Uncle Sam, 200 fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. Dixie, 200 fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 300 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Unknown, 500 fresh mackerel.

## Netters at New Bedford.

The following netters were at New Bedford yesterday:

Sloop Iris, 20 barrels fresh mackerel.  
 Sloop Crescent, 12 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Pearl, 4 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Gracie Smith, 3 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Sarah Smith, 4 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Walter Wilson, 11 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Nancy, 20 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Dart, 72 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Lewie Warren, 49 barrels fresh mackerel.

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Sloop A. B. Baker, 11 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Albert Garfield, 16 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Braganza, 18 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Reliance, 10 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Lizzie Foster, 11 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop W. Caswell, 8 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Perseverance, 10 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Hester, of New Bedford, 25 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Hester, New York, 10 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Commodore, 8 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Josie, 10 barrels fresh mackerel.

Unknown launch, 10 barrels fresh mackerel.

## Sent Mackerel to Seattle.

An experiment in long shipping mackerel was made last week by Maurice Shaw of T wharf, Boston, who sent a large barrel of mackerel to Seattle. He received word that the mackerel had arrived there in excellent condition and were much admired and quickly bought up, although the price was necessarily very high on account of heavy freight charges. Live lobsters are also being sent now from Boston to the Pacific coast with success.

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# MARKET SLUMPED

## Little Demand for Fresh Fish at Boston.

Only eight fishing arrivals have arrived at Boston since last report and the most of them were in yesterday afternoon. Trips were small, 95,000 pounds covering the lot. Sch. Athena is high with 21,000 pounds and sch. Alcina, with 20,000 pounds of new cod, will bring her markets here to split, so dull is the market.

At the opening new haddock brought \$2.75 and new large cod \$3. A few market cod sold at \$1.50 and hake brought 75 cents.

Butterfish was the surprise of the Boston market yesterday. For some time it has been coming to the market in fair quantities, but yesterday from the Cape Cod traps between 75 and 100 barrels of fish were received and the price went down at once.

The Yarmouth steamer at Boston yesterday, had 1097 crates of live lobsters, and on the Halifax boat, due today, there will be 407 crates, giving the Boston dealers plenty. There will be 36 boxes of fresh eastern salmon on the Yarmouth steamer, and on the Halifax steamer today there will be at least six more boxes.

## Newfoundland Fish Trade.

This is how Newfoundland figures out her chief fish customers for the year:

Country	Qtls.	Value.
Brazil	350,000	\$2,000,000
Portugal	300,000	1,750,000
Spain	275,000	1,750,000
Italy	250,000	1,200,000
Canada	130,000	700,000
B. W. Indies	75,000	400,000
British Isles	50,000	200,000

All others (including other West Indies and the United States, which are about 150,000 each) about 400,000 qtls., value \$200,000.

Portugal is her second best customer to buy fish. Last year, 1908, they bought 292,651 qtls., valued at \$1,724,307. To this add Madeira, which took 3525 qtls., at a cost of \$19,721. With the peace and prosperity of Portugal, greater things are yet in store for Newfoundland. The total consumption of dry codfish for the whole of Portugal is about 600,000 qtls., half of which is bought from Norway.

Norwegian fish going into Portugal has a preference of about one shilling sterling per quintal against Newfoundland, so that if Newfoundland sold Portugal 300,000 qtls., she is paying \$75,000 duty more than paid by Norway, the latter country giving a preference on port wine. The St. John's, N. F., Herald asks "why cannot the government without delay enter into negotiations either direct with the government of Portugal, or through the British government, as we understand a new treaty is under principal ports we ship fish to are Oporto, Lisbon, Figueira and Vianna."



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## TWO LARGE HALIBUT TRIPS IN.

Schs. Preceptor and Niagara Have Good Fares From Anticosti.

Former Craft Secured Fish at Practically One Set of Trawls.

Halibut is the chief article on Gloucester's harbor bill of fare today. True there are only two trips of these fish in, but it is the size of them that makes them so prominent, for while both are the largest of the season, one of them is also the biggest, not only for months, but probably for the past few years.

The fortunate crafts are schs. Preceptor, Capt. Fred Upshell, and sch. Niagara, Capt. James Bowie. The skipper of the former craft hails his fare for 85,000 pounds and the latter for 70,000 pounds. Neither fare sold this forenoon, and the chances are, with Sunday and Memorial Day following each other, that the companies will not talk price until Tuesday.

While the hail of both skippers taken as it is calls for two big fares, it is the general opinion that both these conservative masters are somewhat modest in naming the size of their catches and the indications are that each will better their hail by several thousand pounds.

Both crafts got their big fares off the north side of the island of Anticosti, and about seven or eight miles from the shore. They must have struck the finest kind of fishing as each crew only set out their trawls four or five times for their fares.

One set of the Preceptor was a remarkable one. It was a fine day and the crew set out their whole string of trawl and when they came to haul, it did not take them long to find out that they had set right on a regular nest of halibut. They would only haul a short bit and the dory would be filled and they would have to go back to the vessel and hoist them out and then go back again. It seemed as though there was a halibut on every hook and when night same they had

### Rowed Over 30 Dory Loads to the Vessel

and had only hauled only half their gear. Next day they went at it again and hauled the rest, the one set totalling 64 doryloads of fish, practically a whole trip, and a big one at that, on one set of the trawls, truly a most remarkable occurrence.

Capt. Upshell reports that the only vessels that were with them, which have not arrived home, were sch. Agnes, one of the fresh halibut fleet and sch. Fannie A. Smith, Capt. Joseph Bonia, who instead of trying to buck the ice out around the east coast of Newfoundland, was industriously picking up fish off Anticosti, about every set, which would mean 3000 or 4000 pounds, reduced to fitches.

Capt. Upshell had a pretty hard time of it in the gade of Monday. He came through the straits of Can-so, and as he passed Mulgrave, the heavy easterly gale was going in great shape. Sch. Preceptor, deep and under bank sail, was driving along like a race horse, and Capt. Upshell didn't want to stop, for he was anxious to get his big fare to market as soon as possible and was taking every chance in the pack to do it.

All went well until the craft got to the mouth of the straits and opened out Man-of-War rock, and then she

### Got Full Benefit of the Howling Gale.

The craft made several wicked dips and threatened to strip her deck clean. Capt. Upshell said that the craft and her short sail would have stood it all right, as far as driving along with what wind there was, but the sea was exceptionally bad and he knew that to keep on meant that in a short time the deck would have been swept of dories and everything movable, so he put her about and ran back and anchored under Bear Island until next morning and then got under sail again.

Capt. Upshell, is a young skipper, but he has struck the gait of a seasoned veteran in the sch. Preceptor and his success is pleasing to note as good halibut skippers are not made every season. Everybody is pleased to see quiet Jim Bowie come in for a good share of this big trip success. He has been doing nicely since he took command of the Niagara and his friends hope that he has his good streak with him once more.

## Sighted Dead Whale.

Capt. Oxholm of the United Fruit Co.'s steamer Verona, which arrived at Boston Thursday, from Port Morant, Jamaica, reported passing the carcass of a big whale on Tuesday, about 250 miles south of Nantucket south shoal lightship. Embedded in the side of the dead leviathan were two harpoons, indicating that the whale had been chased by the whalers and escaped only to die from the wounds inflicted.

## New Fishing Boat.

A new and handsome yawl rigged fishing boat named Florence and Mildred arrived at Portland Monday from Cushing, Me., where it was recently launched by Albin Morse for parties at Monhegan. The new craft is 47 feet in length, 12 feet wide, with a draft of four feet, and is equipped with a 20-horse power Lathrop engine. She is intended for general fishing business and will be commanded by Capt. George F. Davis.

## Examined Fishery Regulations.

The Canadian government has examined the regulations for fisheries in international waters prepared by Prof. Prince on behalf of Canada and Dr. David Starr Jordan for the United States. It is understood that the regulations as drafted are satisfactory to Canada, and if approved by the Washington authorities will be given effect on June 1, by simultaneous proclamation.

## Portland Fish Notes.

Fish continue very scarce, the few brought in selling at the highest prices known for quite a while. The steamer Robert & Edwin came in yesterday with a small fare, only 2000 pounds being found in her nets, but among them was found one or more porgies, which is encouraging as indicating that they may be coming on this shore once more.

## Newfoundland Shore Fishery.

Tuesday was the first sign of cod-fish at Harbor Main, N. F., and a little has lately been taken at Port de Grave and several other places in the bay; but the coming in of the northern ice put a stop to operations. The shore fishery on that part of the Newfoundland coast may be a good one, but it will not be an early one.

## Lunenburg Fishing News.

Sch. Marina, cleared Tuesday for the Grand banks, with 17 men.

Sch. Mary E. McDonald went on the marine railway yesterday for extensive repairs.

Sch. Medina A., Lohnes, from La Have, cleared Tuesday morning for fishing, with 16 men.

## To Prepare Case.

A. B. Aylesworth, Canadian minister of justice, and J. S. Ewart K. C., sail for London Saturday to prepare the Canadian-Newfoundland case in the arbitration with the United States on the Atlantic fisheries before The Hague tribunal.

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## FILLED FULL OF POLLOCK.

Sch. James A. Garfield Secured 100,000 Pounds.

Sch. James A. Garfield, Capt. William Doyle, which went out last Monday, on a pollock seining trip, arrived this morning from over off Chatham, Cape Cod, with the craft chock full of fish and running over. The hold was full of pollock and there were also some on deck. Capt. Doyle estimated the catch at 100,000 pounds and said that the fare was nearly all taken at one set of the seine.

Sch. Arthur D. Story, Capt. William Sloan, arrived from Georges handling this morning with 28,000 pounds of salt cod, most of which were taken on her last baiting. Capt. Sloan reports good outlook for fish on the bank.

Yesterday afternoon, three of the gasoline boats landed 34,000 pounds of fresh pollock, most of which went to split. The fare above noted, together with the two big halibut trips of schs. Preceptor and Niagara, comprise all the arrivals here with fish, since last report.

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## Nova Scotia Fish Movements.

Port La Tour—Cod fair.  
Liverpool—Cod and salmon plenty; alewives, haddock and lobsters fair.  
Musquodoboit—Lobsters fair; cod scarce.

Salmon River—Lobsters fair.  
Whitehead—One mackerel reported today; lobster fishermen report one-half their traps destroyed by recent storm.

Queensport—Cod and herring fair; haddock and lobsters scarce.

Port Malcolm—Herring and lobsters fair.

Arichat—Haddock fair; lobsters scarce.

St. Ann's—Herring plenty; lobsters fair.

Cheticamp—Herring very plenty, cod scarce.

Margaree—Herring fair; lobster gear out of order by recent storm.

Hawkesbury—Lobsters fair.

Anticosti—Herring very plenty.

Magdalen Islands—Herring plenty.

## How Does a Lobster Swim?

A local discussion in Norwalk, Conn., as to whether a lobster swims backward or forward in entering a pot causing no little turmoil.

William Jenkins, a New York expert, called a local lobsterer names because he claimed the crustacean went ahead backward, and the lobsterman is said to have punched Jenkins' eye in the argument. An expert diver is to be secured to go to the bottom of Long Island Sound and watch the behavior of the lobster in order that the discussion may be settled.

## Large Halibut Fare.

The halibut fare of sch. Waldo L. Stream of this port, which was landed at Boston yesterday was a big one, Capt. Frank Stream, on arrival, hailed his fare for 45,000 pounds, but the craft weighed off 61,000 pounds, on which she stocked \$2000 or a little over.

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## DEAFNESS IN FISH.

After long experiments Dr. Maier comes to the conclusion that of all the fresh and salt water fish he has experimented with not one is able to perceive sound except the American dwarf catfish, which is very sensitive to it.

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## Today's Receipts.

Sch. Preceptor, Anticosti, 100,000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Niagara, Anticosti, 75,000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. James A. Garfield, Rips.

Steamer Bessie A., shore, 10,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Independence, shore, 17,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Unknown, shore, 7000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Arthur D. Story, Georges, 28,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. James A. Garfield, Rips, 10,000 lbs. pollock.

## Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Nokomis, Boston.

Sch. Minerva, Boston.

Sch. George H. Lube, swordfishing.

Sch. Almeida, swordfishing.

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## Boston Arrivals.

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Sch. Athena, 12,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.

Sch. Nettie, 1800 haddock, 1500 cod, 200 hake.

Sch. Emerald, 1200 haddock, 700 cod.

Sch. Louise C. Cabral, 9000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Mary E. Silveira, 200 haddock, 14,000 cod.



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Sch. P. P. Manta, 4000 haddock, 7000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Two Sisters, 300 haddock, 300 cod.  
Haddock, \$2.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$1.50; hake, 75 cts.

## Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Moanham was at Liverpool, N. S., on Wednesday and cleared.  
The Portland sch. Ella M. Doughty is still ashore at Mosher's harbor, N. S.  
Sch. Dora A. Lawson was at Veleter's Cove, N. S., Monday and cleared.

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## MACKEREL NOW ON CAPE SHORE.

American Seiners Are Reported to be Making Some Hauls.

Season Opened About a Week Later Than Usual.

Mackerel are schooling on the Cape Shore and hauls by American seiners are reported. This shows that the season is not so late after all on the Cape Shore, as many supposed it would be, for generally the first catches are looked for about May 24. According to this then, the fish are only about a week late in showing up on their regular stamping grounds to the eastward.

A special dispatch to the Times this noon, from its Liverpool, N. S., correspondent, brings the good news in brief, just saying, "Seiners now reported taking fish off our coast." Because of its source, the report is considered entirely reliable and correct.

The dispatch adds that schs. Judique and Lena and Maud sailed from Liverpool today.

Schs. Morning Star, Arthur James and Saladin were at Halifax, N. S., Friday.

Sch. Mary E. Hart, Muriel, Olga, Gladiator, Arthur Binney, Pinta, Monarch and Dauntless were at Liverpool, N. S., on Friday.

A Liverpool, N. S., dispatch of Friday states that the Dominion government fishery protection cruiser Petrel is off that port watching a large fleet of American seiners for possible violations of the three-mile limit regulation.

There is no word of fish schooling out south. At Newport yesterday were a number of netters with fine fares,

which would indicate that the net fish have moved well along to the westward and that Newport, instead of New York, will be netters headquarters for the month which begins today.

At New York today are but two netters, while New Bedford has had quite a number of fares since last report. Telegrams from different points on the Cape Shore, to vessel owners here all have the same story, no mackerel seen and none reported yet.

## Netters at Newport.

The following mackerel netters were at Newport on Sunday and Monday:

Sch. Nautilus, 500 fresh mackerel.  
Sch. A. P. Parkhurst, 500 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Olympia, 500 fresh mackerel.  
Sloop Reliance, 1400 fresh mackerel.  
Sloop Alice, 1500 fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Mildred Florence, 300 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Clara T., 2000 fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Marguerite, 1400 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Uncle Sam, 1200 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Gracie, 700 fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Cherokee, 1400 fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Joppaite, 2500 fresh mackerel.

## Netters at New York.

The following netters are at New York today:

Sch. Sabine, 1700 fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Lafayette, 4400 fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Hockomock, 4200 fresh mackerel.

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## Portland Fish Notes.

Fish receipts continue very light, the steamer Robert & Edwin in the last two haulings of her nets finding only 3500 pounds. The schooner Watauga came in on Sunday with a fare of 15,000 pounds of mixed fish, for which there is a good market.  
A big fleet sailed swordfishing on Saturday.

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## FIRST BAITING DID NOTHING.

But Cape North Fleet Now Reported Doing Better.

Reports from the offshore crafts which have arrived since last report are to the effect that the Cape Shore fresh and salt shack fleet did nothing on their first baiting and also that the dory handliners have done poorly on Quero bank. Evidently some of the shackers struck some fish on their second baiting, as some of them harbored at North Sydney, C. B., Friday and reported good catches.

Sch. Mildred Robinson, Capt. Lewis Devine, had 30,000 pounds of salt cod and sch. James W. Parker, Capt. George Tufts, hauled for 60,000 pounds of salt cod. The former took a herring baiting there and the latter will do the same. Both will take ice and run the rest of their catch fresh. Reports from this fleet are to the effect that the vessels did so poorly on their first baiting, that 50 tubs was the highest taken by any of them. The skippers say that the ice hung on the Cape North ground until after the fish had been there and left and when they at last got a chance to set their trawls there was little or nothing to catch. On the second baiting, with the ice gone, some of them did better there and at Scatteri.

Capt. Daniel McDonald of the halibut Mooween reports speaking the dory handliner Tattler, Capt. Alden Geel, on Quero bank, recently, and the latter reported that he had done practically nothing since coming on the ground, having then only about 60 tubs of fish. He said that as far as he could learn, the fleet as a whole had done poorly and were sailing back and forth and in every direction in an attempt to locate some spot of fish.

Capt. McDonald also spoke the trawl salt banker Ella M. Goodwin, Capt. James Goodwin, and this craft seemed to be an exception to the general report, for she had done quite well, in marked contrast to the dory handliners. Capt. Goodwin has sailed about and settled right down on a fine spot of fish and proceeded to fish it for all it was worth.

Some of the Cape Shore shack fleet which Capt. McDonald saw or heard from had done poorly and their skippers were talking of staying down there until after caplin struck, and then take a baiting of these and go to the Grand Bank and try to finish up a trip.

Capt. Robert Wharton of sch. Yakima reported that some of the shackers were off Scatteri with him, fishing in 75 fathoms of water and that the salt banker Arkona, Capt. Newman Wharton was also there for a spell and then left, going to the southward, as did the most of the shackers.

The salt banker Hazel R. Hines, Capt. Fred Morrissey, was at North Sydney, C. B., Friday, hauling for 250,000 pounds of salt cod. She is one of the best fished crafts of the salt trawl bank fleet and took a herring baiting there to continue the trip.

The salt trawl banker John R. Bradley, Capt. Peter Porter, was also at North Sydney, C. B., on Friday, hauling for 110,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Smuggler, Capt. Patrick Shea, was also there. Regarding the catch of this latter craft, reports differ. One paper reported her with 100,000 pounds of salt cod, while another states that she took 100,000 pounds of fish off there as the result of two days fishing. Still another report credited the craft with 100 quintals for two days fishing. There is evidently quite a mixup somewhere.

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## Portland Fish Notes.

The fishing sloop Defender came in Friday with the best fare brought in here for a long time, she weighing out over 15,000 pounds of mixed fish, the crew sharing \$25 a man. Lobster receipts Friday were quite heavy, the steamers Carrie and Mildred and Herman Reissing and the smacks Verna G., Vinal H. Tibbetts and Mimie Davis bringing in nearly 16,000.

The N. F. Trefethen Co. have received advices that the Portland lobster smacks Mary F. Smith, Fannie Belle and Etta M. Burns, which were on the Nova Scotia coast during the recent heavy gale, rode out the storm without injury of any kind. Some little concern had been felt in regard to their safety, although their owners had felt sure they were all right.

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## FRESH HALIBUT IN PLENTY.

Receipts for Last Few Days Largest for Years.

There have been quite a number of fishing arrivals here since last report and some of them have brought in fine fares. Saturday afternoon, sch. Agnes, which was expected, came along from the Anticosti grounds, with a catch of somewhere in the neighborhood of 80,000 pounds of halibut and yesterday Capt Engstrom got his craft under way and went to Boston to market the catch, as there were two big trips here ahead of him to be taken out.

On Saturday the American Halibut Company started in on the catch of sch. Niagara, taking out about 9000 pounds, to fill orders. Today this craft will finish up taking out her fare at the same concern.

On Sunday sch. Mooween, Capt. Daniel McDonald, came in from Quero, with 25,000 pounds of halibut and 20,000 pounds of salt cod and this morning sch. Yakima, Capt. Robert Wharton, arrived from Scatteri with a nice fare, 40,000 pounds of halibut and 35,000 pounds of salt cod.

Saturday afternoon sch. Alcina came from Boston with 15,000 pounds of fresh codfish, which went to the splitters and sch. Gertrude from a salt drift trip with 30,000 pounds of salt cod. Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, from the same kind of fishing, also brought in 30,000 pounds of salt cod.

The big halibut fare of sch. Preceptor may be taken out today by the New England Fish Company. With eight cars of Pacific halibut due today at Boston and fares here and at T wharf, aggregating some 300,000 pounds, there is certainly a glut in the market in these fish, the receipts being the largest for some years in the same length of time.

Up to 11 o'clock, none of the fares, either here or at Boston had any price made on them and schs. Preceptor, Yakima and Mooween still laid in the stream here, while the Niagara was at the American Halibut company's wharf to take out at whatever price is made later on all the trips. It is thought probable that some price will be determined on before the day is over and then the vessels will be hauled in to discharge.

Sch. Mooween got under way this noon and headed for Boston, to dispose of her fare of fresh halibut.

## Digby, N. S., Fish Notes.

Sch. Effie M. Morrissey, Capt. Ansel Snow, was in Yarmouth last week on her third trip, with 135,000 lbs. mixed fish on board. Her popular skipper and some of the crew spent Victoria Day at their homes in Digby.

Sch. Quickstep, Capt. Longmire, sailed from South West Harbor, Me., last week, having landed 170,000 lbs. mixed fish.

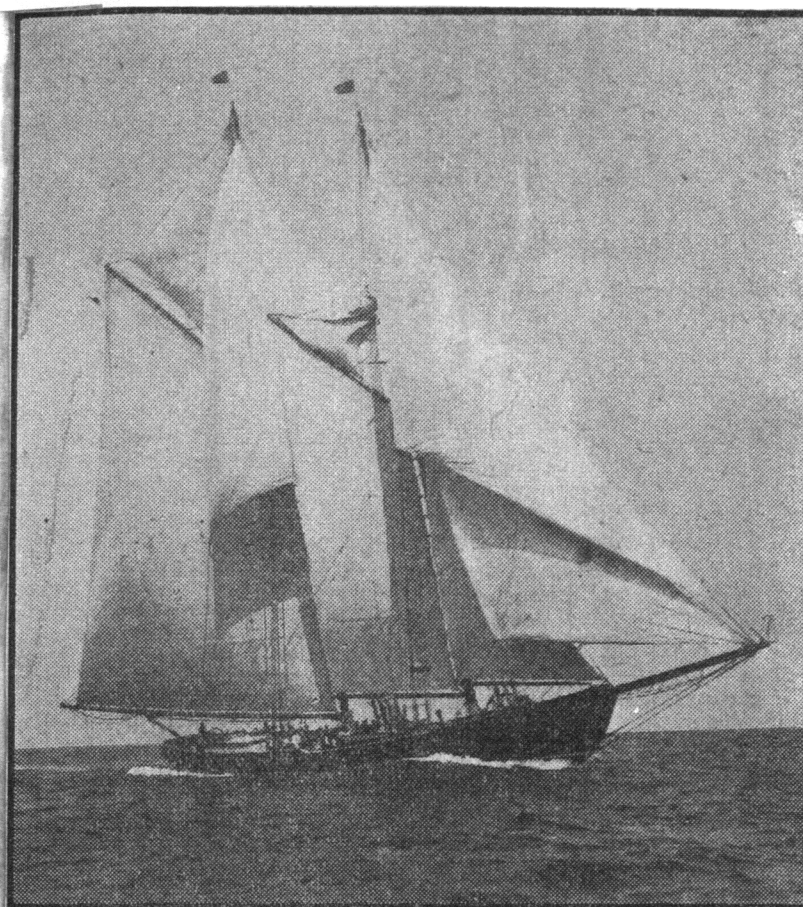
Sch. Alcione, Capt. John Clifford, arrived here Sunday from Tiverton with a good fare of fish, sailing again Tuesday morning.

Word was received at Yarmouth that the sch. Nellie, owned by Capt. Thomas Crosby, which recently went to Magdalen Islands, is ashore at that place.

The minister of marine and fisheries has authorized the establishment of a 32-candle power electric light on a dolphin, which will be stationed on the southwest side of Barrel Rock, near the dredged channel in Liverpool harbor.

The auxiliary sch. Defender, Capt. M. G. Crocker, which arrived here Wednesday with fresh haddock for Short & Ellis, sailed the same night for St. John for a cargo of freight.

The new Digby fishing schooner Albert J. Lutz, in command of Capt. Apt, arrived in port Friday from South West Harbor, Me., at which port the captain sold his fare of fish, consisting of 9000 pounds of halibut and 16,000 pounds of cod. The schooner came here for bait and will again go to the fishing grounds. Capt. Apt is well known here. With his new vessel he is having good luck. The captain is a well known mariner and has acted as pilot for many New York yachts going along the Nova Scotia coast.



CAPT. MESQUITA'S SCHOONER, THE FRANCIS P. MESQUITA.



CAPT. JOSEPH P. MESQUITA.

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